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Thanks.  
Cathy Setzer Andrews



# APPLICATION FOR THE INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Please submit your completed application  
by email to [district.applications@austintexas.gov](mailto:district.applications@austintexas.gov)  
by mail or in person to:  
Office of the City Auditor  
301 W. 2nd Street Suite 2130  
Austin, TX 78701

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*Application Period:  
January 18, 2013  
through  
February 22, 2013*

FOR ASSISTANCE WITH INTERPRETING KEY TERMS, SEE THE GLOSSARY  
AT THE END OF THIS APPLICATION

MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS CAN BE FOUND IN  
THE CITY AUDITOR'S INTERPRETIVE GUIDANCE AND THE CITY CHARTER  
AT [WWW.AUSTINTEXAS.GOV/10-ONE](http://WWW.AUSTINTEXAS.GOV/10-ONE)

You must submit an electronic application to [district.applications@austintexas.gov](mailto:district.applications@austintexas.gov)  
or provide a signed application to the Office of the City Auditor in person or by mail at:

301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 2130

Austin, TX 78701

Submission Deadline: February 22, 2013

### DUTIES AND TERMS OF SERVICE

#### Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission duties include:

1. Conduct duties with integrity and fairness.
2. Conduct an open and transparent process to enable full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of district lines to include an open hearing process.
3. Draw district lines in accordance with specific redistricting criteria in the Charter.
4. Adopt a final redistricting plan and certify the plan to the Austin City Council.
5. Issue a report that explains the basis on which the Commission made its decisions.

#### Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission Member terms of service include:

1. Members of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) will not be compensated for serving, but are eligible to receive reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses related to Commission duties. Guidance on what is considered "reasonable and necessary" will be provided by the appropriate authority at a later date.
2. Serve a term of office that expires when the first member of the succeeding Commission is appointed in the year after the next national census is taken.
3. Members of the Commission will be subject to the following restrictions on their future activities:
  - For a period of 10 years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person will not be eligible to be elected to the Austin City Council.
  - For a period of three years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person may not hold appointed office for the City of Austin.
  - For a period of three years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person may not:
    - Serve as a City employee or as a paid consultant to the City of Austin.
    - Serve as a paid consultant to a member of the City Council in the council member's private capacity; or
    - Receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City of Austin.

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Please complete this section legibly.

Name of Applicant: Andrews Catherine Setzer  
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

Voter Registration Number (VUID): 1132549999

Residence Address (must be a fixed location in the City of Austin):

1906 Morrow Street Austin TX 78757  
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

Mailing Address (if different from Residence Address)

(Street Address or PO Box) (City) (State) (Zip)

Contact Phone: 512-483-1227

Contact Email Address: csetzer@austincc.edu

Spouse's Name: Andrews Forrest Lee  
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

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Please check YES or NO by each requirement. If you answer YES to question one (1), you may skip questions four (4) and five (5).

1. Are you a student enrolled in a community college or university in the City of Austin? ☐ Yes ☒ No
  
2. Do you reside in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  
3. Are you registered to vote in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  
4. Have you been continuously registered to vote in the City of Austin for the five years immediately preceding the date on which you submit this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  
5. Please indicate whether you voted in the following City of Austin general elections (or corresponding runoff if applicable):

City of Austin General Elections	Candidate Response
May 12, 2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 14, 2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 9, 2009	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 10, 2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 13, 2006	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**Conflicts of Interest**

The information below is required to help the City Auditor identify any conflict of interest you may have.

Within 5 years of the application date, have <i>you or your spouse</i> :	
Been appointed to a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been elected to a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been a candidate for a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of the campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county, or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been a registered state or local lobbyist?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 3 years of the application date, have <i>you or your spouse</i> been:	
A paid employee of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the City of Austin or the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A controlling person of a person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the City of Austin or the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to any member of the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A controlling person of a person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to any member of the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
In the last City Election did <i>you or your spouse</i> :	
Contribute or bundle one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more in aggregate to candidates for City of Austin elective office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No



Personal Background Information

- Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_
- Race: white
- Gender: ☐ Male ☒ Female
- Age: (Please check your response)
  - ☐ 18 to 24    ☒ 25 to 34    ☐ 35 to 44    ☐ 45 to 54    ☐ 55 to 64    ☐ 65+
- Education level: (Please check any that apply)
  - ☐ High School Diploma or GED
  - ☐ Some College (major \_\_\_\_\_)
  - ☐ Associate's Degree (major \_\_\_\_\_)
  - ☐ Bachelor's Degree (major \_\_\_\_\_)
  - ☒ Post-Graduate Degree, indicate highest degree attained: (subject MA - political science)

Qualifications

Please describe your relevant analytical skills.

I am a government professor at Austin Community College. Not only do I have a great understanding (and appreciation) for the districting process, I also understand the politics behind it. Additionally, I have a good bit of analytical experience that I think would be an asset to the districting commission.

~~As a grad student I was required to take several statistics courses. While it is not my strong suit, I have a beyond basic understanding of statistical analysis. Also, as a grad student I was employed by a professor who researched redistricting and often testified in court regarding redistricting cases (none in Texas). My work involved helping him compile election data from districts around the country for statistical analysis. When I lived in Washington, DC I worked for two public opinion polling firms. The work is not the same, but I think the experience I have compiling representative samples and providing analysis of data can be helpful in the task before the City of Austin. As a government professor, I use analytical skills everyday: From grading and analyzing the success of my students, to dealing with the many situations that students bring to me everyday, to the all important job of teaching my students to develop and use their own analytical skills.~~



Please describe your ability to be impartial.

As a community college professor, a big part of my job is being impartial. Especially in government courses where we cover and discuss a number of sensitive topics. My students do not always agree with each other and many times do not agree with me. It has never been an issue that students feel uncomfortable expressing their opinions in class or assignments, or that they feel I grade impartially based on whether or not you disagree with me. I believe that our government depends on disagreement and while it's not meant to be full of the hateful rhetoric we've become accustomed to, it's meant to be a process where multiple sides are heard and an agreement is reached based on all the voices.

Please describe your appreciation for the City of Austin's diverse demographics and geography.

Before moving to Austin six and a half years ago I lived in Washington, DC for three years and New Orleans, LA for almost 10 years. I love the diversity of all of these cities and everywhere I have lived not only have I recognized the diversity for it's cultural significance, I have embraced the diversity to enrich my own life. The cultural diversity of all of these cities are different, but in Austin I have participated in many of the diverse activities like: the MLK Day march, Pachango Lationo music fest, ACL, SXSW, fun fun fun Fest, gay pride parade, Hot Sauce festival, Austin Raggae Festival, Austin Rodeo, the Austin Pun-Off, the Empty Bowl Project, just to name some. Austin embraces the diversity that makes up this city and it makes it a better place to live for everyone!

Additionally, the geography of Austin is unique and diverse. I'm originally from South Louisiana, where there are swamps, but not much diversity. While the diverse geography of Austin creates some challenges (water supply, effects of drought, for example), the unique landscape only adds to the city's attractiveness. Having the ability to visit hills that overlook the city or watering holes that have entertained Austinites for generations is a great asset to the city. I'm delighted that protecting these assets so that they are around for future generations seems to be a major priority for the City.

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Please provide any other information you wish to be considered during the selection of the most qualified applicants for the Commission.

As a community college professor, not only do I have great communication skills but I also genuinely understand the importance of representative government and I work hard to portray that importance to my students. I am interested in and involved in issues that face the city (and I have been since I moved here 6.5 years ago). It would be an honor to serve the citizens of Austin in this important districting process.

DISCLAIMER

By submitting this application, I understand that I am giving the City Auditor permission to release my information to the public. In particular, I affirmatively consent to the release of the contact email address I have provided.

If I am appointed, my address, contact phone number and contact email address will be included on the **City of Austin's website**.

I understand my application is public information under the Texas Public Information Act. The information will be kept according to the City Auditor's **records retention policies**.

I understand that my participation on the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission is voluntary.

I understand the duties and terms of service for the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission as described above.

Under penalty of law, I swear or affirm that the preceding information in this application is in all things true and correct.

Catherine Setzer Andrews

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Signature of Applicant

If submitting electronically, please type your full name in the signature box.

2/21/13

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

GLOSSARY

- “Bundle” means to raise money as an intermediary for a council candidate by soliciting contributions on the candidate’s behalf.
- “Campaign committee” in regard to an “officer, employee or paid consultant of a campaign committee” means a candidate or a specific purpose political committee supporting or opposing a candidate.
- “Candidate” for elective office means a person whose name appeared on a ballot, or who was a declared write-in candidate, in a general or primary election. It does not mean a person who merely announced a candidacy or only filed campaign finance filings. This definition attempts to construe the term against ineligibility, avoid ambiguity and disputes of fact, and use the term in the way most commonly understood by a lay person.
- “City” means Austin.
- “City elective office” means the office of mayor and city council member.
- “City employee” means an employee on the City payroll, including a temporary or part-time employee. The term does not include an independent contractor. This definition follows the definition in Section 2-7-2 of the City Code.
- “City office,” with respect to appointment, means a municipal court judgeship (including a substitute judgeship), and membership on a commission, committee, board, task force, or other City body appointed by the mayor or the city council. This definition follows the definition of “city official” in Section 2-7-2 of the City Code, excluding those City officials who are covered separately as City employees.
- “Community college or university in the City of Austin” means a degree-granting post-secondary educational institution, accredited by a recognized accrediting agency under the Education Code, that grants one or more of the following: an associate’s degree, a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, or a doctorate, and that regularly conducts classes where the instructor and two or more students are physically present in a physical location within Austin’s city limits.
- “Contribution,” for purposes of calculating aggregate contributions to candidates for City elective office, includes all contributions to candidates for mayor and city council, and contributions to specific purpose political committees supporting or opposing those candidates.
- “County” refers to a county in which the City of Austin has territory.
- “County elective office” means an office that is voted on county-wide or an office that is voted on by the voters of a precinct drawn by a commissioners court.
- “Employee” with respect to a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid a salary by the political party or campaign committee.
- “Local lobbyist” means a person required to register under Chapter 4-8 of the City Code.
- “Non-competitively bid contract” means a contract which must be awarded as provided in Section 252.043 of the Local Government Code (“lowest responsible bidder” or “best value for the municipality”).

- “Officer” with respect to the “campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county or city office” means:
  - the campaign treasurer of a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office;
  - the campaign treasurer of a specific purpose political committee that supported or opposed a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office; or
  - an officer or director of an incorporated specific purpose political committee, incorporated for liability purposes only under Section 253.092 of the Texas Election Code, that supported or opposed a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office.
- “Officer” with respect to a political party means a precinct chair, a county chair, or a member of a party executive committee under Title 10 of the Texas Election Code.
- “Paid Consultant” with respect to work done for a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid monetary consideration for providing legal services, accounting services, public relations services, statistical or polling services, or political or campaign-related services or advice.
- “Paid Consultant” with respect to the three year ban on paid consultancy with a council member, means having a “political or professional contract” with a council member as defined in this guidance.
- “Political or professional contract,” in the context of a contract with a council member, means a contract with a council member under which, in return for consideration, a person provided expert advice or personal services related to a council member's duties or to the council member's service as a council member, or provided advice about the conduct of campaign activities or holding office, or provided services to a council member that would be reportable on the council member's required campaign and officeholder filings under Title 15 of the Texas Election Code; Article III, §8 of the Austin City Charter; or Chapter 2-2 of the Austin City Code. This does not include a contract solely for the sale of goods.
- “Political party” means a political party that appeared on the ballot in any of the last three general elections for state and county officers.
- “Professional contract,” in the context of a contract with the City means a non-competitively bid contract other than a contract solely for the sale of goods.
- “State” means Texas.
- “State office” means an office held by a “state officer” as defined in Section 572.002 of the Government Code.
  - In the context of an appointment to a state office, “state office” means: the office of Secretary of State, an office of a state agency subject to appointment for a term of office specified by the Texas Constitution or a statute of this state; an office subject to appointment with the advice and consent of the senate; the position of executive head of a state agency; or a state office subject to election but filled by appointment because of a vacancy or because the office is newly created.
  - In the context of candidacy or election to a state office, “state office” means a seat in the legislature, an executive or judicial office filled in a statewide election; a judgeship of a court of appeals or of a district court; membership on the State Board of Education; or the position of district attorney or criminal district attorney.
- “Student” means a person actively enrolled in a community college or university on the date of the person's application to the Commission.

